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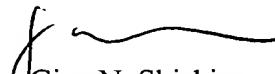
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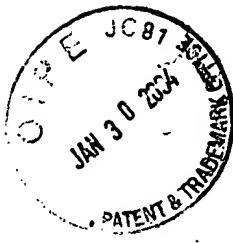
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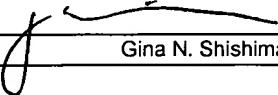
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Serial No.: 09/523,886

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For: A METHOD FOR PROTECTION
AGAINST TUMOR METASTASIS
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